

Black Catholic Ministries
Resources

“A Fire in the Bones, Reflections on African American Religious History”, Albert Raboteau

“African Saints, African Stories: 40 Holy Men and Women, by Camille Lewis Brown

“Black and Catholic in the Jim Crow South”, by Danny Duncan Collum

“Christ's image in black: the Black Catholic community before the Civil War”, by Cyprian Davis, OSB.

“Brothers and Sisters to Us”, U.S. Catholic Bishops Pastoral Letter on Racism, 1979

“Brothers and Sisters to Us, 25th Anniversary Resources, U.S. Catholic Bishops Pastoral Letter on Racism, 2004 (<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/cultural-diversity/african-american/upload/25th-Ann-ExecutiveSummary.pdf>)

“Desegregating the Altar: The Josephites and the Struggle for Black Priests, 1871-1960, Stephen Ochs

“Faith and Culture: A Multicultural Catechetical Resource. Office of Publishing and Promotion Services, United States Catholic Conference

“Families: Black and Catholic, Catholic and Black: Readings, Resources, and Family Activities”, by Thea Bowman

“From Slave to Priest: The Inspirational Story of Father Augustine Tolton (1854-1897)”, by Sr. Caroline Hemesath

“Hearing Past the Pain” by Jon Nilson

“Here I am Lord, Send Me: The National Black Catholic Pastoral Plan”, National Black Catholic Congress

“In God's Image”, A Pastoral letter on Racism, Most Reverend Archbishop Harry J. Flynn

“In Spirit and Truth, Black Catholic Reflections on the Order of the Mass, Secretariat Bishop's Committee on the Liturgy, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

“Let it Shine! The Emergence of African American Catholic Worship”, by Mary E. McGann R.S.C.J. and Eva Lumas, S.S.

“Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself: U.S. Catholic Bishops Speak Against Racism”, United States Catholic Conference

“Many Faces, One Church” by Peter C. Phan

“Many Rains Ago: A Historical and Theological Reflection on the Role of the Episcopate in the Evangelization of African American Catholics, Secretariat for Black Catholics, National Conference of Catholic Bishops

“Plenty Good Room: The Spirit and Truth of African American Catholic Worship, Secretariat for the Liturgy and Secretariat for Black Catholics, National Conference of Black Catholic Bishops,

“Racial Justice and the Catholic Church”, by Bryan Massingale

Racial Sobriety: Becoming the change you want to see by Fr. Clarence E. Williams, Jr. CPPS, Ph.D. Website: www.racialsobriety.org

“Reconciled through Christ”, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

“Saints of Africa”, Vincent J. O’Mallery

“Stamped with the Image of God: African American as God’s Image in Black by Cyprian Davis and Jamie T. Phelps

“Taking down Their Harps”, by Diana Hayes; Cyprian Davis

“Tell It Like It Is: A Black Catholic Perspective on Christian Education. National Black Sisters’ Conference

“The Catholic Church and the Black Lives Matter Movement: The Racial Divide in the United States Revisited”, Bishop Edward Braxton

“The History of Black Catholics in the United States, by Rev. Cyprian Davis, OSB

“The Racial Divide in the United States, Most Reverend Edward K. Braxton, Ph.D., S.T.D.,

“Uncommon Faithfulness: The Black Catholic Experience” by M. Shawn Copeland

“Understanding and Dismantling Racism: The 21st Century Challenge,” Joseph Barndt

“What We Have Seen and Heard: A Pastoral on Evangelization from the Black Bishops of the United States” USCCB

Websites of Interest:

In a Word – A monthly publication for and about African American Catholic:

<http://www.inaword.com/>

Institute for Black Catholic Studies: <https://ibcsxula.com/>

National Black Apostolate for Life: www.blackcatholicsforlife.org

National Black Catholic Congress: <https://www.nbccongress.org/>

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Subcommittee on African American Affairs: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/cultural-diversity/african-american/>

Other Resources:

Sr. Thea Bowman's historic address to the U.S. Catholic Bishops, USCCB webpage

Lead Me, Guide Me: The African American Catholic Hymnal, Second Edition, G. I. A. Publications

Note: The month of November is set aside to celebrate the accomplishments and faithfulness of Black Catholics from the very beginnings of the Church.